



COVID-19 Technology Response System

Weekly Update

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Welcome to the Weekly Update for the COVID-19 Technology Response System.

The Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) offers a comprehensive and interoperable suite of software to empower public health agencies and give them all the tools they need to respond to COVID-19.

Each week we will provide information about new features, resources, upcoming releases, and other important information about the three tools that make up the Technology Response System: Electronic COVID-19 Case Reporting, EpiTrax and MO ACTS.

Check out the intranet sites here:

- [Electronic COVID-19 Case Reporting](#)
- [EpiTrax](#)
- [MO ACTS](#)

Question of the Week:

How can I find the number of COVID deaths in my jurisdiction using EpiTrax?

DHSS has developed a new export “Deaths in my Jurisdiction”. This export will show LPHAs all the deaths listed in EpiTrax for people who have a state case status of “Confirmed” and have had a COVID-19 positive lab entered. LPHAs will be able to select their jurisdiction and enter the range of dates they are interested in to see the number of deaths that have occurred during this time. LPHAs will also need to export and filter the report in excel to only view records where COVID-19 was marked as the actual cause of death. These filtered results are the only records uploaded into the State dashboard. This export purposefully contains all deaths where COVID-19 was marked/unmarked as the cause of death so that LPHAs are able to accurately investigate whether COVID-19 was the true cause of death. You can find more information about this export User Guide, [here](#).

Upcoming Seminar 12/17: EpiTrax Data and Public Reporting

Wondering how EpiTrax Data feeds the public Show Me Strong Dashboards? If so, join us on Thursday, December 17th from 3:30 – 4:30 PM CT where we will explore how the critical data that our Case Investigators collect help inform public metrics and raise continual awareness, encouraging Missourians to remain safe.

Previous Seminar Recordings can be found under the “Quick Reference and Information Seminar Guides” Sections of the [MO ACTS](#) and [EpiTrax](#) Intranet Sites.

EpiTrax Updates:

Updated Training!

The EpiTrax team has released an updated series of training, including the previously announced EpiTrax Training Simulation and a New! Deep Dive training. These trainings include:

1. **EpiTrax Training Simulation:** This [refreshed training](#) includes easier navigation between simulation components and a video overview of each step in the case investigation process, catering to your specific learning style and needs
2. **EpiTrax Deep Dive Training:** This [new training](#) takes you one step deeper into the capabilities of EpiTrax, including Searching for Persons and CMR, Filtering and Exporting Data, and Finding a Specific Case or Lab Test.

MO ACTS Updates:

New Release information!

MO ACTS new functionality Is live! With this latest update:

1. Citizens will now hear human recorded voice prompts when calling tracers back
2. Users will be able to update additional information, such as the contact status, while using the guided script – reducing the number of clicks users have to execute during a given outreach.

More details on the release can be found in our [Release Notes](#) on the MO ACTS Intranet site.